

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

POLLUTION REPORT

I. HEADING

DATE: October 15, 1997

SUBJECT: Central Steel and Drum, Newark, Essex County,
New Jersey

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POLREP No: Two (2)

II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:	JR
Delivery Order No.:	2001-02-130
Response Authority:	CERCLA
ERNS No.:	N/A
CERCLIS No.:	NJD011482577
NPL Status:	Non-NPL
State Notification:	NJDEP notified
Action Memorandum Status:	Approved July 3, 1997
Start Date:	September 29, 1997
Demobilization Date:	N/A
Completion Date:	N/A

III. SITE INFORMATION

A. Incident Category

CERCLA Incident category: Other
Abandoned Drum Reconditioning/Recycling Facility

B. Site Description

The Site is located at 704-738 Doremus Avenue, Newark, New Jersey, 07105. The Site is situated in an industrial area in the Iron Bound section of Newark and consists of a large manufacturing building located on 8.5 acres. Material located at the site includes: incinerator ash; flammable liquids; and caustics.

Refer to Polrep #1 for more detailed information.

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. Current Situation

The command post is fully operational. The EPA, START, and ERCS continue removal actions. Removal activities include the following: ash consolidation; debris clearing; drum sampling and HAZ-CAT'ing.

2. Removal Action to Date

On October 6, 1997, ash consolidation and drum staging operations continued. Clearing of debris to gain access to the drums continued. Received initial analytical data on the samples from the ash piles.

On October 7, 1997, ash consolidation and product drum staging operations continued. Clearing of debris to gain access to the drums and the random ash piles continued. Sampling operations begin on the drums containing product.

On October 8, 1997, ash consolidation and product drum staging operations continued. Clearing of debris to gain access to the drums and the random ash piles continued. Drum sampling and air monitoring operations continued.

On October 9, 1997, ash consolidation and product drum staging operations continued. Clearing of debris to gain access to the random ash piles continued. Drum sampling and air monitoring operations continued. Additional ash pile samples are taken and sent for analysis. HAZ-CAT'ing

operations begin.

On October 10, 1997, ash consolidation and product drum staging operations continued. Clearing of debris to gain access to the random ash piles continued. Drum sampling and air monitoring operations continued. HAZ-CAT'ing operations continued.

3. Enforcement

The On-Scene Coordinator is currently working with the Program Support Branch, the office of Regional Counsel and the NJDEP to locate viable PRPs to recover clean-up costs.

B. Planned Removal Actions

The objective of this removal action is to eliminate the threat to public health and welfare and the environment caused by the materials abandoned at the Site. The removal action will include:

- 1.) Securing the Site.
- 2.) Inventory of materials located at the Site.
- 3.) Sampling and analysis of materials located on-site.
- 4.) Waste categorization.
- 5.) Transportation and disposal of all hazardous wastes in accordance with EPA's CERCLA Off-Site Disposal Policy.

The selected mode of transportation and method of disposal will be based on the analytical data.

C. Next Steps

Consolidation of the ash from within the drums will be completed.

Drum sampling operations will continue.

Debris will continue to be cleared as necessary to gain access to random drums and ash piles.

Hazcatting operations will continue.

D. Key Issues

None

V. Cost Information

The following information is estimated cost for the removal action as of October 10, 1997.

	Cost to Date
ERCS	\$ 31,100.00
START	\$ 5,000.00
EPA	\$ 4,000.00
Total	\$ 40,100.00

The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.